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SUBJECT: F/V ALVIEN, F/V NP 01580

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1. JUST PRIOR TO RECEIVING INFO REPORTED REFTEL, NLO WAS CONTACTED BY ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF POLICE (CRIME) PAUL THOMPSON WHO SAID HE WAS CALLING TO, ONCE AGAIN, EXPRESS HIS TOTAL FRUSTRATION, THIS TIME AT HIS GOVT'S HANDLING OF SUBJECT CASE.

2. MR. THOMPSON INFORMED NLO OF WHAT THE PROBABLE GCOB DECISION IN THE MATTER WOULD BE (AS INDEED IT TURNED OUT TO BE) AND EXPRESS HIS OPINION THAT THE DECISION WAS A POLITICAL ONE, AND NOT STRICTLY A LAW ENFORCEMENT DECISION. MR. THOMPSON STATED THAT HE BELIEVED MR. ARTIMAS NEELY, OWNER OF ONE OF THE BOATS, "WAS A BIG PROGRESSIVE LIBERAL PARTY (PLP) MAN" AND THAT THIS HAD SOMETHING TO DO WITH NOT GIVING USG JURISDICTION OVER THE VESSELS EVEN THOUGH THE VESSELS WERE IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS AND GCOB COULD NOT APPREHEND THEM.

3. MR. THOMPSON FURTHER SAID THAT MR. DON SCOTT, CONFIDENTIAL

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OWNER OF THE OTHER VESSEL IN QUESTION IS STILL WANTED IN U.S. FOR JUMPING BAIL ON A PREVIOUS CHARGE.

4. WHILE THE ABOVE IS REPORTED FOR INFORMATION, EMBASSY IS CURRENTLY UNABLE TO CONFIRM MR. THOMPSON'S ALLEGATIONS, OR THE INFERENCE HE ATTACHES TO THEM. IT IS APPARENT, HOWEVER, THAT THOMPSON, WHO

IS REPUTED TO BE SCRUPULOUSLY HONEST AND A "POLICE-MEN'S POLICEMAN", IS BECOMING MORE AND MORE OUT-SPOKEN AND OPENLY CRITICAL (AS IS ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF POLICE (MARINE) LAWRENCE MAJOR) OF GCOB'S APPARENT INABILITY TO EFFECTIVELY ASSIST IN A JOINT EFFORT WITH USG TO STEM THE FLOW OF NARCOTICS THROUGH THE BAHAMAS AND ON TO THE US. SCHWARTZ

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